

North Regional Time Sensitive Emergency Committee (NRTSEC)

Meeting Minutes

July 15, 2016

Opening

The regular meeting of the North Regional Time Sensitive Emergency Committee (NRTSEC) was called to order at 10:02 on July 15, 2016 at Kootenai Health by Chair Chris Way.

Present

Chris Way, Dershi Bussey, Todd Putren, Mike Taylor, Bill Holstein, Ken Mills, Caryl Johnston, Nick Mechikoff, Ross Crawford, Ken Gramyk, Sue Donaghue, Veronica Mitchell-Jones, Bill Keeley, Casey Meza, On the phone: Nicole Wheaton, Stu Wilson, John Mendon, Wanda Wilkerson and Drew Rinella. Approval of Agenda.

Motion to approve agenda made by Eric Chun, seconded by Bill Holstein .
Approved unanimously.

Approval of Minutes:

Motion to approve minutes from May 20, 2016 as written by Eric Chun, seconded by Veronica Mitchell-Jones. Approved unanimously.

Open Issues

1. TSE State-wide Meeting Update - Chris Way
State-wide TSE meetings have now changed with physical attendance every other month in Boise and every other month conference call. Arco was the first approved Level IV trauma center. Three site visits are scheduled in the next couple of months for other potential Level IV facilities such as Clearwater in Orofino. KH's application is in and will be voted on by email this month.
2. TSE Program Update –
The state is focused on putting together survey teams. Currently gave 16-17 teams from around the state and some from Utah. Most regions have their QI committees are up and running, and are looking for good statewide data collection.

Old Business

- a. Update on TSE Applications – Chris Way

Bonner General Health is close to sending their application in approx. 30 days. Still working on the trauma registry piece for quarterly versus yearly submission. All hospitals in the region are taking the steps to apply. Shoshone is working with their Emergency physician group. Boundary is hoping to get their application submitted in the next couple of weeks for Level IV.

b. Disaster Drill – Chris Way

The Disaster Drill went well and locally we learned several things. KCEMS suggested having another one that is more functional without the FEMA limitations to test pieces left out of Cascadia Rising. All in the region are welcome to participate, and will be notified when the planning stages are set up. Suggestion made to check with the Healthcare Coalition for funding.

c. Trauma Criteria – Chris Way

Priority activations are being utilized by KH and KCEMS. Bonner County EMS is now using the criteria, but Shoshone is still working to implement within their system. KH would like to add some extra criteria such as Drowning and Hanging for Priority 1, Near Hanging for Priority 2 and Fall from any height if anticoagulated older adult as a Priority 3. The State will allow regions to add to the criteria in their area.

New Business

a. QI Committee – Nick Mechikoff

Has been communicating with other regions and is finding they are not up and running or are still in the preliminary stages of starting. Planning a meeting of all QI chairs to get together for criteria and standardization in early August. Spoke to Region 2 and have a meeting planned for next week. Regional 1 is meeting before the general TSE meeting and looking at considerations for review and collecting baseline data to figure out the parameters to monitor. Working to find averages and then review the outliers.

b. Opportunity for Surveyors

The State is looking for physician and nurse surveyors. Great opportunity, but they do not pay for travel.

c. ATLS Course

KH is working with the State to bring an instructor and provider course to Coeur d'Alene. The instructor class will be September 16 and the provider class will be September 17 and 18. If the physician takes the instructor class, the expectation is that they will be teaching for the provider class to complete the instructor requirement. Will have to teach at least one ATLS class yearly for the next four years. KH will be hosting, and the State is currently looking for instructors to come down. The class dates may be changed due to instructor availability. There

is a need for many more instructors throughout Idaho to fulfill the ATLS requirements. Class size is 16 providers and 4 auditors are allowed.

d. Fall Training Opportunity

North Idaho College (NIC) obtained a \$6 million grant to assist teaching throughout the region using simulation. They are converting 4 classrooms on the NIC campus that will be set up as Emergency Department and surgical areas for the simulations, and will have videotaping capabilities, mannequins, ultrasound and procedural equipment available. Done through the Idaho Simulation Network.

First scheduled Emergency Rescue Techniques Simulation Workshop November 12. The morning session is for board certified clinicians in emergency and critical care medicine and the afternoon session is designed for rural based Emergency Medicine physicians, Nurse Practitioners and Physician Assistants. Registration is now open. Looking for the 5 northern counties to participate to promote collaboration, education and physician networking. CME will be provided. Qualify for attendance if participating in the Hospital Alliance. Attempting to get media coverage for the event.

e. Region 2

Casey, Chris, Dershi and Todd will be going to the next Region 2 meeting in Grangeville in September. Would like to connect the two regions for better collaboration.

Other Business

Looking for the survey from the State for the potential 3 levels of Stemi, but have not seen the survey. Looking for clarity around what facilities offer for services.

Suggestion made to add QI to the TSE power point to provide education to facilities and EMS services to garner participation. Chris will update the power point. Discussed other ways to encourage participation and education such as making it Grand Rounds style. Region 1 is offering to go to each facility to present the TSE power point and answer questions.

Kudos to BGH for participation at the last Grand Rounds that ties in nicely with TSE. Great job! The next Grand Rounds will be with Shoshone hosting. Looking for a case.

Discussed putting together a survey for area hospitals for contact information and capabilities such as burns and pediatric patients for referring agencies. Will place on the agenda for next meeting.

Action Items for Next Meeting

Put together a survey to area hospitals for capabilities and contact information for referring facilities.

Nick will follow up on definitions for QI critiques.

Adjournment

Motion to adjourn by Todd Putren, seconded by Ken Mills. Meeting was adjourned at 10:50 by Chris Way. The next general meeting will be **September 16, 2016 at 10:00 in Kootenai Health Boardroom (Kootenai Services Building).**

Minutes respectfully submitted by:



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